2	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN MILWAUKEE DIVISION
3	TRACY L. WINK,
4	Plaintiff,
5	vs. Case No. 14-C-367
6	MILLER COMPRESSING COMPANY,
7	Defendant.
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10	Demonition of MATTHEW F. CHAVE?
11	Deposition of MATTHEW E. CHAVEZ
12	Monday, January 26th, 2015
13	2:58 p.m.
14	at
15	ALAN C. OLSON & ASSOCIATES, S.C. 2880 South Moorland Road
16	New Berlin, Wisconsin
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21	Reported by Elaine A. Thies, RPR
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1	Deposition of MATTHEW E. CHAVEZ, a
2	witness in the above-entitled action, taken at the
3	instance of the Plaintiff, pursuant to Chapter 804 of
4	the Wisconsin Statutes, pursuant to notice, before
5	Elaine A. Thies, RPR and Notary Public, State of
6	Wisconsin, at ALAN C. OLSON & ASSOCIATES, S.C., 2880
7	South Moorland Road, New Berlin, Wisconsin, on the
8	26th day of January, 2015, commencing at 2:58 p.m.
9	and concluding at 3:35 p.m.
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11	APPEARANCES:
12	ALAN C. OLSON & ASSOCIATES, S.C., by Mr. Alan C. Olson and Ms. Brianna M. Covington
13 14	2880 South Moorland Road New Berlin, Wisconsin 53151 Appeared on behalf of the Plaintiff.
15	THOMPSON COBURN LLP, by
16	Ms. Susan M. Lorenc 55 East Monroe Street, 37th Floor
17	Chicago, Illinois 60603 Appeared on behalf of the Defendant.
18	ALSO PRESENT: Sarah Barbian
19	ALSO PRESENT. SURUM BURDLUM
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2		MATTHEW E. CHAVEZ, called as a witness
3		herein, having been first duly sworn on oath, was
4		examined and testified as follows:
5		EXAMINATION
6	BY N	MR. OLSON:
7	Q	Mr. Chavez, we had met in the hallway. I'm
8		representing Ms. Wink. I'm Alan Olson. During the
9		deposition I'll be asking you questions. You're
10		under oath. You have to provide truthful responses
11		to my questions. If you don't hear a question I
12		can restate it. If you don't understand a question
13		I can rephrase it for you. If you answer my
14		question I'll assume that you heard it, you
15		understood it, and you were answering it
16		accurately. As was mentioned already, Elaine has
17		to get everything down accurately today so we have
18		to try not to talk over one another. If you need
19		to take a break at some point, we can do that as
20		long as there's no question pending.
21		Do you have any questions about the
22		process?
23	Α	No.
24	Q	Have you ever given a deposition before?

25 A No.

- 1 Q Have you ever been a party to a lawsuit before?
- 2 A No.
- 3 Q Have you ever tested positive for drugs or alcohol?
- 4 A No.
- 5 Q Do you know of any reason why you would not be able
- 6 to give accurate testimony today?
- 7 A No.
- 8 Q What did you do to prepare for your deposition
- 9 today?
- 10 A I just spoke briefly with Susan.
- 11 Q When was that?
- 12 A Friday afternoon.
- 13 Q For how long?
- 14 A About 45 minutes I believe.
- 15 Q Did you speak in person or by phone?
- 16 A By phone.
- 17 Q Did you review any documents related to this case?
- 18 A No.
- 19 Q Have you ever reviewed documents related to this
- 20 case?
- 21 A No.
- 22 Q What is your educational background?
- 23 A Some college. High school, some college.

- 24 Q Okay. And you worked at Miller Compressing during
- what time period?

- 1 A October 1997 until February 28th, 2014.
- 2 Q And your separation was for what reason?
- 3 A Two things: One was the scrap market took a dive,
- 4 and I guess they just no longer needed my -- needed
- 5 me anymore. I guess kind of like a duplication of
- 6 responsibilities.
- 7 Q Okay. And did you have any disagreement with the
- 8 employer as to the circumstances surrounding the
- 9 separation?
- 10 A No, I understood.
- 11 Q Did they provide you with a severance package?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q How many weeks of severance pay did you receive?
- 14 MS. LORENC: And I'm going to object. I
- 15 have not seen the document, but to the extent
- there's a confidentiality provision, I would just
- 17 ask you to adhere to that.
- 18 MR. OLSON: Confidentiality is not a
- 19 basis to instruct a witness not to answer.
- 20 MS. LORENC: I don't think I did. I said
- 21 I asked him to adhere to that. But you can answer
- the question if you can answer it.
- 23 BY MR. OLSON:

- 24 Q So the attorney is not telling you not to answer
- 25 the question about how many weeks of severance pay

- 1 you received. How many weeks of severance pay did
- you receive?
- 3 A I don't recall right now.
- 4 Q Do you recall the dollar amount?
- 5 A No, not exactly, no.
- 6 Q Okay. That was about -- that was less than a year
- 7 ago that you got that?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q Okay. Was it less than a hundred thousand?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q Was it more than 10,000?
- 12 A Yes.
- 13 Q Was it more than 30,000?
- 14 A No.
- 15 Q Somewhere between ten and 30?
- 16 A Close to ten I'd say.
- 17 Q Okay. And did you have to sign a release in
- 18 connection with that?
- 19 A Yes.
- 20 Q Did you sign a -- what's known as a
- 21 non-disparagement clause?
- 22 A I'm not sure.

- 23 Q A non-disparagement clause would be, just to
- 24 clarify, an agreement where you agree to not say
- anything bad about the company.

- 1 A I don't recall reading anything like that.
- 2 Q Okay. And did you consult an attorney -- don't
- 3 tell me what was said if you did, but did you
- 4 consult an attorney about the document?
- 5 A No.
- 6 Q And have you secured employment since then?
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q Okay. And where do you work currently?
- 9 A Tapco.
- 10 Q When did you start there?
- 11 A Let's see. Early October 2014.
- 12 Q All right. Is your job similar there to what you
- 13 had at Miller?
- 14 A Not necessarily, no.
- 15 Q Okay. What is your home address?
- 16 A 2222 North Lefeber Avenue, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin
- 17 53213.
- 18 Q And what is the best phone number to reach you at?
- 19 A 414-426-2320.
- 20 Q Okay. Did you receive messages from my office to
- 21 try and reach you?
- 22 A Yes.

- 23 Q Okay. How many of those did you receive? Three or
- 24 four?
- 25 A I believe three.

- 1 Q Okay. And why did you not respond to those?
- 2 A Because Alter -- Susan is representing me and I did
- 3 not want to talk -- to speak to you directly without
- 4 representation.
- 5 Q Okay. Did anyone suggest to you not to talk to me?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q Okay. They told you not to talk to me; correct?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q And you understood that you are being represented
- 10 now by Alter's attorneys?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Okay. And that representation started when?
- 13 A I don't know. I assume it was when I was called to
- 14 give a deposition.
- 15 Q Okay. When were you told -- on what date were you
- told that you were not to talk to me?
- 17 A I don't know.
- 18 Q Was it recent or months ago, around the time of the
- termination, when the lawsuit was filed?
- 20 A No, last week.
- 21 Q Okay. And you were told not to return my calls?

- 22 A No.
- 23 Q You were just told not to talk to me?
- 24 A Yes.
- 25 Q Okay. But you didn't talk to -- You didn't return

- 1 our calls before that; correct?
- 2 A Correct.
- 3 Q Okay. And had you been told by anyone not to
- 4 return our calls?
- 5 A No.
- 6 Q When did you first receive notice that a lawsuit
- 7 had been filed in this case?
- 8 A I don't know the specific date but sometime in 2014.
- 9 Q Okay. And did you have an understanding prior to
- 10 that time that it was likely a lawsuit would be
- 11 filed?
- 12 A No.
- 13 Q What was your progression of jobs at Miller
- 14 Compressing?
- 15 A I started as a messenger -- excuse me, let me go
- 16 back. For a couple days I started on -- in the yard
- 17 on the sorter. That wasn't working out. They had a
- 18 position as a messenger. I took that and I did that
- 19 for about a year or so. Then I went to the scale and
- 20 I became a scale operator. And several years after
- 21 that I went into the -- what we call the order

- 22 processing department and I became a team leader
- there -- training first, then team leader.
- 24 Q Was that the last position you held is team leader?
- 25 A Yes.

- 1 Q Okay. And as a team leader were you an exempt
- 2 employee for purposes of overtime?
- 3 A Initially, no, but eventually, yes.
- 4 Q Okay. And when did you become exempt?
- 5 A I'm not sure.
- 6 Q Was there an event that occurred that coincided
- 7 with you becoming exempt such as a change in title
- 8 or change in duties?
- 9 A No.
- 10 Q Approximately how long were you not paid overtime
- at the end of your employment?
- 12 A I'd say maybe three years.
- 13 Q Okay. Did you work more than 40 hours a week
- 14 during the end of your employment --
- MS. LORENC: Objection --
- 16 BY MR. OLSON:
- 17 Q -- during the last three years of your employment?
- 18 MS. LORENC: Objection. You can answer.
- 19 BY MR. OLSON:
- 20 0 You can answer.

- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q How much overtime did you work per week during the
- last three years of your employment?
- 24 A I don't know.
- 25 Q What's your best estimate?

- 1 A It varied. I can't give you an estimate.
- 2 Q Okay. What was the least amount of overtime you'd
- 3 work during -- let's look at the 2012 time period.
- 4 A I'd get at least 40 hours in.
- 5 Q Okay. And then what was the --
- 6 A And -- excuse me.
- 7 Q Sure, go ahead.
- 8 A And when I did go to salary, it was understood I
- 9 would get a certain amount of time in over 40 hours.
- 10 Q Okay.
- 11 A And I don't know how that was calculated.
- 12 Q So when you went to salary, are you saying that
- 13 your overtime was rolled into your salary or that
- 14 you were paid extra if you worked over 40 hours?
- 15 A It was rolled in.
- 16 Q It was rolled in. Okay. So when did you go to
- 17 salary?
- 18 A Like I said before, I'm not sure.
- 19 Q Did that coincide with you becoming a team
- 20 leader --

- 21 A No.
- 22 Q -- or sometime after that?
- 23 A Yes.
- 24 Q So you were initially a team leader hourly --
- 25 A Yes.

- 1 Q -- getting overtime, then they changed it?
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q And did you supervise other employees as a team
- 4 leader?
- 5 A Other -- what do you mean by other employees?
- 6 Q Employees other than yourself.
- 7 A Yes.
- 8 Q How many?
- 9 A It varied.
- 10 Q Okay. I assume it went down over time?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q Okay. So was it around six and then decreased?
- 13 A I'd say around six.
- 14 Q Okay. And then at the end how many were you
- 15 supervising?
- 16 A Probably -- I believe two or -- two I believe.
- 17 Q All right. And in 2012 how much of the work were
- 18 you doing that was the same as what your employees
- 19 you were supervising were doing?

- 20 A I don't recall.
- 21 Q Were you doing a lot of the same tasks that they
- 22 were doing --
- 23 A I would assist --
- 24 Q -- or were you delegating that work?
- 25 A I was delegating it but I would assist if necessary.

- 1 Q Would you say that you were doing more or less than
- 2 50 percent of the same work that your employees
- 3 were doing?
- 4 A Much less than 50 percent.
- 5 Q Okay.
- 6 A And it was as needed.
- 7 Q As the company reduced its workforce, did your
- 8 overtime hours increase, stay the same, or go down?
- 9 A I don't recall.
- 10 Q Was there a push at some point in 2012 to have
- 11 fewer people doing more work?
- 12 A I would say so, yes.
- 13 Q Okay. Was your time there recorded in some way; by
- 14 computer log-on or time punch or anything like
- 15 that?
- 16 A No.
- 17 MS. LORENC: Objection to form. You can
- answer.
- 19 BY MR. OLSON:

- 20 Q As a result of fewer people doing more work, was
- 21 there an expectation that was communicated to you
- that you work more hours than you had been
- 23 previously?
- 24 A No.
- 25 Q So you continued to work about the same hours

- 1 before and after the reductions in force at the
- 2 company; is that accurate?
- 3 A I really don't recall.
- 4 Q So you may have worked more hours, you may have
- 5 worked less, you don't know one way or the other;
- 6 is that right?
- 7 A That's correct.
- 8 Q Did you receive any training regarding the FMLA law
- 9 at any time?
- 10 A No.
- 11 Q Did you have any job responsibility concerning the
- 12 FMLA?
- 13 A Yes.
- 14 Q What was your job duty or duties in that regard?
- 15 A It was administering or keeping -- I should say --
- 16 excuse me -- keeping track of the FMLA time.
- 17 Q Okay. And how did you do that?
- 18 A On a spreadsheet.

- 19 Q Was that on a computer?
- 20 A Yes.
- 21 Q Was there a particular software that you used for
- that purpose?
- 23 A Microsoft Excel.
- 24 Q And did you maintain that record for time by
- 25 Ms. Wink?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q Did you maintain it for any other employees?
- 3 A No.
- 4 Q Is that an Excel spreadsheet you developed
- 5 specifically to track Ms. Wink's hours, or was that
- 6 a document that already existed?
- 7 A Specifically for Ms. Wink.
- 8 Q At whose direction?
- 9 A I believe it was my own.
- 10 Q Did you discuss that spreadsheet with anyone?
- 11 A Yes.
- 12 Q With whom did you discuss the spreadsheet for the
- 13 FMLA hours?
- 14 A Someone in HR. I believe it was Peggy. Possibly
- 15 Sarah. Peggy --
- 16 Q Peggy Malmstadt?
- 17 A Yes.
- 18 Q Or Sarah Barbian?

- 19 A Correct.
- 20 Q Okay. When did you begin keeping track of the FMLA
- 21 hours?
- 22 A I don't recall.
- 23 Q And on what computer did you keep track of those
- 24 hours?
- 25 A My work computer.

- 1 Q Was that part of the company network computer --
- 2 A Yes.
- 3 Q -- on the server?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q Who had access to that spreadsheet other than
- 6 yourself, in other words, just by going into the
- 7 computer? Do you know of somebody who would go in
- 8 and look at it or put information into it or
- 9 anything like that?
- 10 A Only I would do that.
- 11 Q Okay. And did you print it out from time to time?
- 12 A I don't recall but I know I e-mailed it.
- 13 Q Okay. To whom did you e-mail the document?
- 14 A Peggy.
- 15 Q For what purpose did you e-mail that document to
- Ms. Malmstadt?
- 17 A To keep her up to speed as to where we were with the

- 18 FMLA time.
- 19 Q And the FMLA time, are you referring to when that
- started in 2011 or some other time period?
- 21 A I don't recall.
- 22 Q When --
- 23 A Well -- excuse me. It would be in 2012 or so -- I'm
- 24 not sure when it started, but it was to document
- 25 Tracy's FMLA time.

- 1 Q Okay. And why did that become an issue in 2012 in
- 2 contrast to prior times, because we're aware that
- 3 she was on FMLA before that?
- 4 A Because she was using vacation time -- or I should
- 5 say paid time off and FMLA time.
- 6 Q So in other words, she was substituting paid time
- 7 to use it for pay during her FMLA qualifying time?
- 8 A Yes.
- 9 Q Okay. So --
- 10 A You know --
- 11 Q -- were you doing it so payroll had a record as to
- 12 what they would charge her?
- 13 A I don't recall if payroll was involved. They would-.
- 14 Q Do you have anything to add?
- 15 A No, I'm sorry. No.
- 16 Q So why was it that the fact that she was using
- 17 vacation pay to apply to her FMLA time that

- prompted you to document it on a spreadsheet?
- 19 A To distinguish between the two different times,
- 20 whether or not it was FMLA time or paid time off, and
- I believe there may have been non-paid time.
- 22 Q Okay. Now, I think the record shows that during
- 23 prior FMLA leaves, she did substitute in paid time
- 24 for that. Do you know why during that time period
- you did not put it in a spreadsheet and during 2012

- 1 you did?
- 2 A I recall it becoming very complex, her -- excuse
- 3 me -- her schedule becoming very complex because she
- 4 was working from home and she was I believe out for
- 5 different reasons --
- 6 Q Okay.
- 7 A -- her own medical issues and her son's --
- 8 Q Okay.
- 9 A -- and it was becoming very complicated.
- 10 Q What did you understand were her son's medical
- 11 issues?
- 12 A From what I understand he had behavioral issues.
- 13 Q Okay. Did you understand it was some form of
- 14 autism?
- 15 A Yes.
- 16 Q Okay. Did you understand that she, Ms. Wink, did

- 17 not have day care for her son with autism?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q Did you understand that one of the reasons that she
- 20 had applied for intermittent FMLA was so that she
- 21 could care for her son two days per week at her
- 22 home?
- 23 A Yes.
- 24 Q And did she share with you that her mother was not
- 25 available on those two days to care for him?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q And did you understand that through the end of --
- 3 to be the case through the end of Ms. Wink's
- 4 employment?
- 5 A Yes.
- 6 Q Did anyone suggest to you that perhaps Ms. Wink was
- 7 using too much FMLA time and that it was
- 8 interfering with her work?
- 9 A No.
- 10 Q Did you ever form that conclusion?
- 11 A No.
- 12 Q In -- Well, with respect to FMLA regarding her
- son's autism, do you know when she first applied
- 14 for that?
- 15 A I don't recall.
- 16 Q Did she apply through you or discuss it with you at

- 17 that time that she was applying?
- 18 A I would be involved, yes.
- 19 Q Do you remember that conversation?
- 20 A No.
- 21 Q Now, that spreadsheet, do you know if that was
- 22 produced during the discovery process in this
- 23 litigation?
- 24 A I don't know.
- 25 Q Were you ever asked to produce it?

- 1 A No.
- 2 Q Now, you said you've e-mailed it to Malmstadt. How
- 3 many times did you e-mail it to her?
- 4 A I don't know.
- 5 Q When was the first time you talked to anyone about
- 6 changing Ms. Wink's job in some manner that would
- 7 discontinue her being at home two days per week?
- 8 A I don't recall.
- 9 Q Do you remember discussing it at all at any time?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q Okay. And when is the first time you remember
- 12 discussing that?
- 13 A I don't recall.
- 14 Q Can you identify the context within which you
- 15 talked about that?

- 16 A Yes.
- 17 Q Okay. What was that?
- 18 A At the time we had to make a decision within the
- 19 department to cut an additional person, and at the
- 20 time there was a lot of talk about the company being
- 21 sold.
- 22 Q Okay.
- 23 A It wasn't official necessarily but there was talk
- 24 about that happening.
- 25 Q Okay.

- 1 A And from what I recall, my supervisor at the time --
- 2 Q Who was that?
- 3 A Margo Eshleman.
- 4 Q Okay.
- 5 A -- was told by upper management that we had to cut an
- 6 additional person in the department.
- 7 Q Okay. And how did that relate to Ms. Wink working
- 8 in the office three days and then being at home two
- 9 days per week?
- 10 A We had to decide, as we have in the past, who was the
- 11 most cross-trained in different areas within the
- 12 department.
- 13 Q Okay. And was Ms. Wink identified as someone who
- 14 was most cross-trained?
- 15 A Yes, she was.

- 16 Q So would she be in that regard at least the most
- 17 useful as far as being able to cover various areas?
- 18 A Yes, if she was there full-time.
- 19 Q Okay. So in other words, if she were there and not
- 20 at home two days a week with her son, then she
- 21 would be able to apply her different areas of
- 22 experience on the job in the office?
- 23 A That's correct.
- 24 Q Okay. And so with whom did you have your first
- conversation about Ms. Wink being in the office

- full-time?
- 2 A My supervisor Margo.
- 3 Q Anyone else?
- 4 A I don't recall.
- 5 Q Okay. And then when was the next time you had any
- 6 communication with anyone about Ms. Wink being in
- 7 the office five days a week?
- 8 A I don't recall.
- 9 Q Did you ever discuss the topic with Sarah Barbian?
- 10 A Yes.
- 11 Q When was that in relation to Ms. Wink's separation
- of employment?
- 13 A I don't recall.
- 14 Q Was it within a month, within a week, a day; do you

- 15 have any recollection?
- 16 A A month, weeks. Several -- a couple weeks.
- 17 Q Okay. And as specifically and completely as you
- 18 can recall, what did you discuss with Ms. Barbian
- 19 about Ms. Wink being required to work in the office
- 20 five days a week?
- 21 A I know we discussed -- we explained to her what Margo
- 22 and I -- what our findings were, what our --
- 23 Q You and Margo explained it to Barbian?
- 24 A I'm not sure if Margo was involved. I believe she
- 25 was.

- 1 Q In any event, you told what you had concluded with
- 2 Margo, you passed this on then to Ms. Barbian?
- 3 A Yes.
- 4 Q All right. And what did you say to Ms. Barbian?
- 5 A I don't recall specifics exactly what I said, but we
- 6 explained the situation as far as what we were
- 7 leaning towards.
- 8 Q Which was?
- 9 A It was going to be either Tracy Wink or her sister
- 10 Kim Noonan who would be our choice to be let go.
- 11 Q Ms. Wink or Noonan would be let go?
- 12 A Correct.
- 13 Q And I thought you said that if Wink were full-time
- in the office, that she'd be the best person to

- 15 keep on due to her cross-training?
- 16 A That's true, that's correct.
- 17 Q Okay. Well, then why would you go to Barbian and
- 18 recommend that Wink would be one under
- 19 consideration for discharge?
- 20 A Because -- I don't recall the specifics, but Kim was
- 21 just as knowledgeable as Tracy was when it came to
- being cross-trained.
- 23 Q But didn't you have a total of six people in your
- 24 department?
- 25 A At that time I don't recall but it was not six

- 1 people. That was at the high end.
- 2 Q Was it down to four then?
- 3 A I'm -- I'm not certain. I'm not sure.
- 4 Q Okay. Was one of the reasons that Ms. Wink was
- 5 considered for discharge that even though she had
- 6 cross-training, she wasn't available to be in the
- 7 office five days a week?
- 8 A That wasn't the sole reason I would say.
- 9 Q It was -- it was a reason?
- 10 A Sure, I would say that's true.
- 11 Q Okay. And you told that to Barbian, or did she
- 12 tell that to you?
- 13 A No, we just explained the situation, you know, where

- 14 everyone was and the cross-training.
- 15 Q But did Barbian agree with you that even though
- 16 Wink had been cross-trained and was versatile -- am
- 17 I using the right term, being versatile? --
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q -- that because she was not available two days per
- 20 week and couldn't be in the office, that that was
- 21 something that counted against her as far as
- 22 continuing her employment?
- 23 A That is true. That was my -- that was my -- that was
- 24 my and Margo's --
- 25 Q Assessment?

- 1 A -- assessment, yes.
- 2 Q Okay. And Ms. Barbian agreed with you?
- 3 A I don't think it was -- I think so, yes.
- 4 Q She certainly didn't vocalize disagreement; is that
- 5 true?
- 6 MS. LORENC: Objection. You can answer
- 7 it if you recall.
- 8 THE WITNESS: I don't recall.
- 9 BY MR. OLSON:
- 10 Q Now, you understand in this deposition that even if
- 11 the attorney for the company suggests that you may
- 12 not recall an answer, if you recall you have to
- give a complete answer?

- 14 A (Witness nodded head.)
- MS. LORENC: I didn't suggest that he
- doesn't recall. I said if he does he can answer.
- 17 MR. OLSON: Right.
- 18 BY MR. OLSON:
- 19 Q I just don't want a situation where the lawyer is
- 20 saying if you recall and you pick that up as a clue
- 21 that that's something you shouldn't remember for
- 22 some reason. Do you understand that?
- 23 A I understand that.
- 24 Q All right. Now, were you involved in the
- 25 separation of Ms. Wink's employment?

- 1 A Yes.
- 2 Q And were there a couple meetings around her
- 3 separation?
- 4 A Yes.
- 5 Q Okay. And the -- one of the main requirements of
- 6 Ms. Wink was that if she were going to continue
- 7 with the company, she would have to be in the
- 8 office five days a week?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q And Ms. Wink responded on that Friday that she
- didn't think she'd be able to come up with coverage
- for her son's care by the following Monday; is that

- 13 accurate?
- 14 A I don't believe she -- I'm not sure if she actually
- said that, but that was the -- that's what she
- 16 implied because of her reaction to the situation.
- 17 Q She was upset?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q And the communication between management and
- 20 Ms. Wink was that unless she could commit by the
- 21 following Monday to be in the office five days a
- week, she could not continue her employment there;
- 23 true?
- 24 A That's true.
- 25 Q And she said words to the effect I have to care for

- 1 my son two days a week; yes? At least in part?
- 2 A I don't recall.
- 3 Q Do you remember the gist of the communication from
- 4 her as I have to be able to care for my son two
- 5 days a week, my mom can only do it three days a
- 6 week?
- 7 A The gist was she could not.
- 8 Q She couldn't be in the office --
- 9 A Correct.
- 10 Q -- five days a week; correct?
- 11 A The gist of it, yes.
- 12 Q And the reason she gave was that she had to care

- for her son two days per week; true?
- 14 A She did not necessarily say that but it's implied,
- 15 yes --
- 16 Q Well, everybody --
- 17 A -- she could not cover that. She could not be --
- 18 yes, because her son needed day care, yes.
- $19 \quad Q \quad \text{All right.} \quad \text{And you knew her son because of his}$
- 20 dangerous condition could not be in day care?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q And the following Monday Ms. Wink reported to you
- and Ms. Barbian that she was not able to arrange
- 24 alternate care for her son on such short notice;
- 25 true?

- 1 A She did not -- she did not tell that to me.
- 2 Q Were you aware of her communicating that to
- 3 Ms. Barbian?
- 4 A I -- I know that she communicated something to Sarah,
- 5 but what that was I don't know --
- 6 Q Okay.
- 7 A -- specifically what it was, but, yes, she could
- 8 not -- she could not agree to our terms, what we
- 9 asked of her.
- 10 Q Okay. And the terms being that she be in the
- 11 office five days a week?

12 Correct. Α 13 Q And as of July 16, 2012, the Monday after the 14 Friday discussion --Yes. 15 Α 16 -- you understood from Barbian that Wink had gone 17 back to Barbian and said I could not make arrangements for my son's care so I couldn't be --18 19 I can't be in the office five days a week; is that 20 accurate? 21 MS. LORENC: Objection to form. You can 22 answer. 23 THE WITNESS: Those words -- I don't know 24 what Tracy told Sarah directly. 25

- 1 BY MR. OLSON:
- 2 Q Right.
- 3 A The point was it was relayed to me that she could
- 4 not -- she could not meet our request.
- 5 Q Regarding the hours?
- 6 A Yes.
- 7 Q And you knew that because that's what Barbian told
- 8 you?
- 9 A Yes.
- 10 Q And that was the reason that Wink's employment
- 11 ended; is that accurate?

- 12 A Well, from my understanding -- from what I recall on
- 13 that Friday, she was told if she were to -- if she
- 14 left the room, that she would -- they would consider
- 15 that her quitting. Okay. Again, I --
- 16 Q Now, did you consider her to have quit as of
- 17 Friday?
- 18 A Yes.
- 19 Q So as far as you knew, as of Friday she was done
- with the company?
- 21 A Yes.
- 22 Q But then you later learned from Barbian that the --
- 23 if she would have made day care arrangements for
- 24 her son, that her employment would have continued?
- 25 A If -- yes, plus other things that we requested of

- 1 her.
- 2 Q Sure. Were you aware that Barbian called Wink on
- 3 the phone about 20 minutes after Wink left the
- 4 office upset on that Friday?
- 5 A Yes, I do.
- 6 Q Okay. Now, that -- that meeting that you had with
- 7 Wink on that Friday, was that at the end of the
- 8 workday?
- 9 A Near the end of the workday, yes, late in the day.
- 10 Q Okay. And were you present on Barbian's end of the

11 call when she got ahold of Wink by telephone on 12 Friday? 13 I don't recall. 14 Barbian told you about the call nonetheless? Q 15 I know -- I knew of the call. 16 Q Okay. And Barbian told you that she gave Wink 17 until Monday to let them know whether she could 18 make arrangements for her son's day care? 19 I believe so. 20 Q And in fact, you knew that Wink came in on that 21 following Monday; correct? 22 I found out about it, yes. I found out about it 23 after the fact, yes. 24 MR. OLSON: Okay. All right. Those are my questions. Thank you. 25 31 1 THE WITNESS: All right. 2 MS. LORENC: We'll read. 3 (The proceedings concluded at 3:35 p.m.) 4 (No exhibits marked.) 5 6 7 8 9

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